In re: ROBERT B. McCLOY, JR. HPA Docket No. 99-0020. Stay Order. Filed July 17, 2002.

Colleen A. Carroll, for Complainant. Respondent, Pro se. Order issued by William G. Jenson, Judicial Officer.

On March 22, 2002, I issued a Decision and Order: (1) concluding that on September 4, 1998, Robert B. McCloy, Jr. [hereinafter Respondent], allowed the entry of a horse known as "Ebony Threat's Ms. Professor" for the purpose of showing or exhibiting the horse as entry number 654 in class number 121 at the 60th Annual Tennessee Walking Horse National Celebration in Shelbyville, Tennessee, while the horse was sore, in violation of the Horse Protection Act of 1970, as amended (15 U.S.C. §§ 1821-1831); (2) assessing Respondent a \$2,200 civil penalty; and (3) disqualifying Respondent for a period of 1 year from showing, exhibiting, or entering any horse and from managing, judging, or otherwise participating in any horse show, horse exhibition, horse sale, or horse auction. *In re Robert B. McCloy, Jr.*, 61 Agric. Dec. ____ (Mar. 22, 2002).

On April 22, 2002, Respondent filed a petition for reconsideration of the March 22, 2002, Decision and Order, which I denied. *In re Robert B. McCloy, Jr.*, 61 Agric. Dec. ____ (June 20, 2002) (Order Denying Pet. for Recons.).

On July 15, 2002, Respondent filed "Respondent's Motion to Stay Order of the Judicial Officer Dated March 22, 2002" [hereinafter Motion for Stay] requesting a stay of the Order in *In re Robert B. McCloy, Jr.*, 61 Agric. Dec. ___ (Mar. 22, 2002), while he pursues review of the March 22, 2002, Order in the United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit. On July 16, 2002, the Hearing Clerk transmitted the record to the Judicial Officer for a ruling on Respondent's Motion for Stay.

On July 16, 2002, Colleen A. Carroll, counsel for the Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, United States Department of Agriculture [hereinafter Complainant], informed me that Complainant does not object to Respondent's Motion for Stay.

In accordance with 5 U.S.C. § 705, Respondent's Motion for Stay is granted. For the foregoing reasons, the following Order should be issued.

ORDER

The Order issued in *In re Robert B. McCloy, Jr.*, 61 Agric. Dec. ___ (Mar. 22, 2002), is stayed pending the outcome of proceedings for judicial review. This Stay Order shall remain in effect until it is lifted by the Judicial Officer or vacated by a court of competent jurisdiction.
